

19TH CENTURY FRENCH HAND-PAINTED OVAL TOLE TRAY WITH ROMANTIC RUINS SCENE

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Decorate a cocktail table or ottoman with this charming antique painted tray. Crafted in France circa 1870, the oval tôle tray features cutout side handles and a beautifully hand-painted surface centered with a romantic landscape medallion depicting ancient ruins perched on a cliffside overlooking a pastoral countryside. The scenic composition is framed with delicate floral sprays and decorative border motifs rendered in soft green, cream, burnt orange, and black accents against a warm ochre yellow ground.

The hand-painted details and naïve artistry give the tray wonderful provincial character, while the aged patinated surface adds warmth and authenticity. The raised rim and lightweight tôle construction make the piece both decorative and functional, ideal for serving drinks, displaying candles and books, or styling atop a coffee table or console.

The antique tray is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, with expected wear, surface scratches, and minor paint losses consistent with a well-loved 19th century decorative object. The piece retains rich color and a beautifully timeworn patina throughout.

Dimensions: 19”W x 15”D

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